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SUBJECT: COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATION -- LEATHER WEARING
APPAREL FROM URUGUAY

REF: STATE 193039

1. ON JULY 17, GOU DECREE 388/978 (DATED JULY 15) APPEARED
IN THE DIARIO OFFICIAL ANNOUNCING THE "REDUCTION OF EXISTING
REINTEGRO RATES FOR LEATHER MANUFACTURES." TRANSLATED, THE
OPERATIVE ARTICLE (1) READS AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE THE RATES OF
REINTEGROS CURRENTLY IN FORCE FOR MANUFACTURES OF LEATHER,
EXCEPT FOR THOSE (CONCERNING THE TANNERY REINTEGRO) ESTABLISHED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 249 OF LAW 14.106 OF MARCH 14
OF 1973, ARE TO BE REDUCED BEGINNING WITH THE FIRST OF JULY
OF 1978, ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING SCALE AND ROUNDING TO THE
NEAREST DIGIT:

--NON-RUBBER LEATHER FOOTWEAR AND RELATED GOODS: 19 PER CENT
OF THE RATE IN FORCE UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 1977;

--LEATHER WEARING APPAREL: 16.5 PER CENT OF THE RATES IN
FORCE UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 1977;

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--OTHER LEATHER MANUFACTURES: 16.5 PER CENT OF THE
RATES IN FORCE UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 1977 UNQUOTE.

2. ECOM SECTION CHIEF TALKED TO CONTADORA MORLAN OF THE
MINISTRY OF ECONOMY AND FINANCE (WITH WHOM TREASURY'S
1977 AGREEMENT WAS MADE) TO REVIEW THE EFFECT OF THE

DECREE'S FORMULA. SHE EXPLAINED THAT THESE PERCENTAGE CUTS EFFECTIVELY HALVED THE REMAINING HALF OF THE 1977 REINTEGRO ON LEATHER ITEMS. THE JANUARY 1 CUT OF, E.G., 38 PERCENT ON LEATHER SHOES WAS EQUIVALENT TO 50 PERCENT OF THE ORIGINAL RATE AFTER SUBTRACTING ALLOWABLE OFFSETS UNDER THE TREASURY ANALYSIS. THE CURRENT 19 PERCENT CUT ON THE SAME BASE WAS THE HALVING OF THE REMAINING HALF ON LEATHER SHOES, ETC. COPIES OF THE DECREE WILL BE POUCHED TO STATED EB/STA AND TO TREASURY FOR SELF.
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